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Xiao-Mai ZHOU

Appln. No.: 09/580,523

Confirmation No.: 8284

Group Art Unit: 1642

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Examiner: M. Davis

For: COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR REGULATING APOPTOSIS, AND METHODS
OF MAKING AND SCREENING FOR COMPOUNDS THAT REGULATE APOPTOSIS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2001. The examiner set a three month period for the response. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for a three-month extension of time, making the due date for response April 19, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph encompassing lines 13-24, page 31, with the following paragraph:

Fig. 3(A) is an amino acid sequence alignment of BH3 domains of the Bcl-family members, against the BH3 domain of human BAD (SEQ ID NO:4). The open rectangle, encompassing the closed rectangle, represents the amino acid sequence of the longer murine

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